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Father Darkleaf's Column

Clerk Claude Smith says there hasn't been a marriage license issued here thus far in August, and there were only five in July!

We and a notion to publish a "baby picture" of Senator Byrd in today's paper, to help advertise his appearance at the Young Democratic barbecue next Tuesday. Joel Flood has a picture of the senator, taken when Harry was a wee year or more old. The picture showed long curls, and had the future statesman in baby dress! After second though, we decided against it, for fear the guest of honor might yet too much kidding over it. However, some day we're to take a chance and print one of Joel Flood, taken at the ripe age of three!

Everyone is admiring the new barber-shop buuding on Main St. They got fine results from the use of modern construction materials.

The town council met at 7:30 Monday night. There were eighteen or more visitors to make requests of the council, and a great assortment of routine business. By midnight, three councilmen had gone to sleep, so the meeting had to be adjourned until another night!

We have geen impressed by the great number of local people who have already been to the world's fair. Our guess is that 150 from this section, have been to New York this summer. About fifteen are men-

Over 60 have bee nsummonsed for jury service at the special term of the circuit court, scheduled for August 21.

Personals

Mr and Mrs. M. G. Willis III, of Fredericksburg, were mid- week guests of Misses Nina and Anna Jones. C. E. Hunter and family, of Roanoke were Sunday guests in the same home.

Mrs. M. G. Willis, Jr. and daughter, Caroline, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kendall Hunter Tuesday night.

Trailer Chapel In Appomattox

A complete chapel and home on wheels, called "Saint Mary of the Highways," is in Appomattox from August 2 to 12, under the sponorship of the Richmond diocese of the Catholic church.

Two priests, Father Conrad C. Hoffner and Vernon Bowyer, are with the trailer chapel. They have invited the public to inspect the trailer, and attend an educational program each night at 8 o'clock.

The missionary field of the Richmond diocese comprises 80 counties in Virginia and eight counties in West Virginia, all under the jurisdiction of the Most Rev. Peter L. Ireton, coadjutor-bishop of the Richmond diocese.

The chapel has a three-way public address system, carrying sermons through the microphone, as well as messages in song. Electric power for the trailer and outdoor lighting can be generated from special equipment in the automobile which pulls the trailer.

A feature of the nightly programs is presention of a religious motion picture with a sound effects. No program was presented Sunday, so as not to interfere with local church attendance.

The living quarters in the trailer are amazingly complete.

From Appomattox, the trailer chapel will go to Altavista.

Appomattox is a growing town!

Sunset Not a Copy

"A sunset," said Hi Ho, the sage of Chinatown, "is more beautiful than any painting. And is it not the more beautiful because it seeks to copy nothing that has often made life burdensome, such as people and their dwelling places?"

Colombia Recognized in 1822

The Republic of Colombia, at that time made up of Venezuela, Colombia, Panama and Ecuador, was the first Latin-American government to have its independence recognized by the United States (1822), reports the Pan-American Union Bulletin.

Pimento Used for Canes

The wood of the pimento tree, which thrives principally in Jamaica, is extensively used for fine walking sticks.

Quarter Million In Appomattox Improvements

Building and improvement projects about $175,000 are in final stages of completion in Appomattox.

The town sewer system will be completed in another week. Inspection of the job will take place this week-end.

The high school building has also been virtually completed, and equipment is being put in. Everything will be in readiness by opening of school in mid-September.

In addition, work is progressing on the $22,000 country library, located on the school campus. Bricklayers are at work this week.

Counting all residential, business, and public building, Appomattox will experience a quarter of a million dollar building boom in 1939.

Young Farmer's Club

The Young Farmers club held its meeting on August 4th. The meetings are held once each month during the summer. After the business part of the meeting, games were played and refreshments were served and enjoyed by all. The meeting adjourned to meet again on the first Thursday night in September.

Reporter, Floyd Coleman.

Spout Spring Girl Scouts

The Spout Spring Girl Scouts met on Saturday, August 5, at the lake, with five present. Each one recited a Bible verse. Plans were made for a camping trip next Saturday. New officers were elected: secretary Estelle Layne; treasurer, Mildred Cyrus. The nexxt meeting will be held at the lake Saturday, August 12, at 2 o'clock.

Reporter, Frances Martin.

Game Fish Off Virginia Waters

Richmond, Va., August 9.- Virginia State Chamber of Commerce officials today denied that recent catches of white marlin by Captain Jonny Cass, Florida deep sea fishing expert, were confined to what is known as the "jack spot" off Chincoteague, which has made Ocean City, Maryland, deep sea fishing famous. Telegraphic confirmation of catches miles south of winter quarter light and also off Wachepraque, as well as directly off Chincoteague, have been received by the Deep Sea Fishing Association, organized with the aid of the State Chamber and the Commission on Fisheries this summer to explode Virginia deep sea sport fishing possibilities.

Numerous Virginia fishermen have accompanied Captain John Cass on his marlin expedions, the State Chamber announced, and confirm the captain's statements that marlin may be caught in many places along the Eastern Shore ocean front. Dolphin also have been caught in quantities, both by Captain Cass' expedition and by fishermen sailing out of Cape Charles. School tuna have been hooked but not caught.

Has Freak Toes

The Mexican imperial woodpecker is the largest member of this family found in the New world. It has peculiar feet, two of the toes turned backward.

Squirrel Has White Tail

The Kaibab squirrel, which has a pure white tail to protect it from preying animals and hunters when snow is on the ground, is found only in the Kaibab forest in Arizona.

Taylor Tenure Short

Zachary Taylor, twelfth President of the United States, died 16 months after taking office.

Sleep Hanging From Claws

Some birds, like the woodpeckers, can sleep while hanging from their claws.

Reindeer in Alaska

Reindeer are not indigenous to Alaska. They were introduced from Lanland and Siberia.

Uncle Ab Saying

Uncle Ab says that many of the folks who boast of their ancestors have little else to brag about.

Phone 30 with Personals.

He Got Back 15 Cents

Just before the opening of the special session of Congress in November, 1937, Vice-President Garner arriving in St. Louis from San Antonio, en route to Washington, made a bee-line for a barber shop.

For 25 minutes, the Vice-President relaxed for a shave at the hands of Dexter Davis, Union Station barber who has had Garner in his chair four of the eight times in recent years he has stopped in St. Louis.

As he left the barber shop, he handed the Negro shine boy a quarter.

"Thank you, suh," smiled the boy. "That's a quarter," reminded Garner.

"Yes, suh, I know it's a quarter," replied the boy.

"Well, I want some change," Garner demanded.

He got back 15 cents.

Mary Pickford Queen of Festival

South Boston, August 9.- Mary Pickford, "America's Sweetheart," this week accepted the invitation of the fifth annual National Tobacco Festival to reign as "queen" of the celebration in South Boston, Virginia, on September 7 and 8. The invitation was tendered jointly by Senator Harry Flood Byrd and Governor James H. Price of Virginia.

As queen of the celebration, she will be crowned Regina Tobacco V. She will be attended by 100 of the most beautiful girls from the tobacco-growing sections of the South, who will serve as princesses.

The celebration will include "Tobacaroma," a mammoth dramatic production with 500 characters in authentic costumes on a huge stage in a beautiful natural amphitheatre; a typical tobacco auction; a feature float parade including scores of elaborately decorated floats, 500 Dixie belles, scores of military and civic organizations, bands and drum and bugle corps; a tour of the old plantation manors of Southside Virginia; a harvest Ball featuring the square dance, at which the "king and queen of jitterbugs" will be crowned; a special reception and floor-show for visiting newspapermen and photographers the coronation ceremony for Regina Tobacco V, and the presentation of her "court" of attendants; and the climatic Coronation Ball, which will be held in a hall with 75,000 square feet of floor space and accomodating 10,000 persons. Buddy Rogers and his orchestra will furnish the music.

Revival Starts August 20th

The public are reminded of the forthcoming evangelistic meeting at Liberty Baptist church, under the leadership of Carey Barker, and A. G. Jefferson, song-leadr.

The date is August 20, September 3rd. Mark it on your calendar, and reserve the two weeks for this spiritual community program.

Recently Mr. Barker closed his second meeting in South Hill with glorious results. The town was mightily blessed and large numbers were added to the churches. It is a privilege to have such a man speak two weeks in our community. May the churches of Appomattox and the churches of the county be richly blessed by his coming.

Emporia Tables Beer Resolution

As the town council of Victoria unanimously voted to ban the sale of beer and wine on Sunday, the Emporia town council failed to take any action on the request of the Greensville county ministerial association to prohibit the sale of beer and wine from midnight Saturdays to 6 A. M. Monday mornings. The Emporia council tabled the matter until the next meeting. The Victoria ban becomes effective in 30 days.

Much Time to Prepare Meals

About one-third of the time consumed in household duties is devoted to the preparation of meals.

Good Manners Unlucky

To say "thank you" when you are passed the salt in Greece is considered unlucky.

Just Too Much

Jud Tunkins says he likes the idea of being self-sustaining, but the man who laughs at his own jokes overdoes it.

Finding Repose

When a man finds not repose in himself, it is in vain tor him to seek it elsewhere.—From the French.

Appomattox expects additional R-E-A electric lines.

Senator Byrd Guest at Young Democratic Barbecue Tuesday

45- Piece Drum and Bugle Corps Added Attraction; Event to Be Held at Holiday Lake

Senator Harry Flood Byrd will come back "home" to Appomattox next Tuesday afternoon as the guest of honor as the Young Democratic Club Barbecue, to be held at Holiday Lake.

It will be a "home-coming," because Appomattox knew "Tom, Dick and Harry" Byrd as boys, when they used to play during vacation months at the old Flood estate near Vera. Since then, they have gone to world famous achievements, and with increasing pride, Appomattox calls them its own.

However, Senator Byrd will be be one of many drawing cards at the big Young Democratic Club bar-

Guest Of Honor

Senator Harry Flood Byrd

becue. Thomas W. Oslin, of the state corporation commission, and frequently mentioned as a possible future Governor, will be the principal speaker. Attorney General A. P. Staples, Peter Saunders, E. R. Combs, and five state senators, several members of the House of Delegates, as well as prominent Young Democrats from all sections of the state will attend.

45-Piece Music Outfit!

As a special added attraction, the 45-piece Junior Drum and Bugle Corps of the Lynchburg American Legion will attend. This crack outfit

Principal Speaker

Thomas W. Oslin

will add color as well as music to the occasion, for they are veteran performers.

The barbecue committee announces that it will prepare 400 pounds of meat, 150 gallons of brunswick stew as a starter to feed the Young Democrats. Professor V. H. Gill and D. A. Conner head this committee.

The ticket committee reports that around 2,0 tickets have already been sold, in Appomattox county, and that they expect to reach 400 by barbecue time. In addition, 100 Young Democrats are expected from Buckingham and Farmville, which, with the band and special guests, means that around 600 will attend.

The arrangements committee urges all members to bring their membership cards to the barbecue. Spec-

To Introduce Senator Byrd

Mrs. S. L. Ferguson

ial "guest" cards have been printed for visiting guests of the local club. Membership tickets cost $1.00, and entitle the purchaser to membership in the state organization, to attend the barbecue, and a subscription to "The Virginia Democrat" magazine. The committee announces than those who do not have the opportunity to secure Young Democratic tickets before Tuesday afternoon, can get

Expected To Attend

Attorney General A P Staples

them after they reach Holiday Lake. In event of rain, the barbecue will be held in the dining hall on the east side of the lake. Amplifiers have been engaged, to make it easy for everyone to hear. The speaking will begin at 5 o'clock, and the barbecue at 6.

President Watt M. Abbitt will preside at the speaking. Senator Byrd will be introduced by Mrs. S. L. Ferguson. Special guests will be recognized. Mr. Abbitt also states that during the program he will announce the date for the next Young Democratic meeting, to elect officers and delegates to the state convention in Roanoke on August 25, 26.

The ticket committee is requested and urged to meet at the court house this Saturday night at 7:30, and make a final report.

Appomattox is a growing town!

Early Ohio Indians

The total Indian population in Ohio prior to the Revolution did not exceed 15,000.

Undeveloped Territory

The greatest undeveloped territory lies just under your hat.

Appomattox Boasts a New Baseball Park

Appomattox has a brand new ball park. Complete, with grandstand, and fence enclosure and parking space, John Curtis Caldwell, manager of the Lee Theatre ball team, has the new park in tip-top shape for this Saturday's game with Rustburg.

The new Lee Baseball Park is located just east of Appomattox off Route 460. Entrance is from the first road east of the town limits.

There is enough parking space for nearly a thousand cars. The grandstand will seat 210 people, and there is standing space for another 300. The entire park is fenced in.

The Lee Theatre team has played 26 games this year, winning fourteen and losing twelve.

Saturday's game will begin at 3:15. Sunday afternoon Lee is scheduled to meet Hurt here at the new park at 3:15.

Previously, home games had been played on the un-enclosed school diamond, and occasionally on the CCC camp field. Appomattox has long needed a new town baseball diamond, and manager Caldwell is to be congratuated for filling this need.

CALDWELL REUNION

The J. W. Caldwell family gathered at Holiday Lake Sunday for a reunion. Dinner was served in picnic style. Those attending were: J. W. Caldwell, Miss Sis Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Marshall and family, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Marshall, Mr and Mrs. Jimmi sCaldwell, Henry Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Park, Mrs. Kate Harvey, Miss Lucila Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Marshall and family, Mr. and Mrs. Watts Harvey, and Miss Ilene Smith.

GARDEN CLUB PICNIC

The picnic of the Appomattox Garden Club, scheduled for Friday, has been postponed. The date will be announced later.

Town Council Meeting

A delegation appeared before the town council of Appomattox Monday night, asking that over half a mile of additional sewer lines of the present sewer project. Another delegation sought street improvements, and a third asked for a tax on out-of-town concerns soliciting business in Appomattox. A request was also made for a "stop" sign at the intersection of Evergreen St. and Route 26.

Monthly bills amounting to around $500 were ordered paid.

EXTENSION EXPERT HERE

Miss Ruth Jamerson, extension house furnishing specialist, will meet with the presidents and leaders of the home demonstration clubs on Thursday, August 17. The purpose of the meeting will be to work up major projects for the clubs for 1940. The meeting will be held in the office of Miss Ella Smith, and will begin at 10 o'clock. All clubs are urged to send representatives.

Federal Help For Game

Federal funds amountin gto $23,836, will be used for restocking propagation and wild life surveys, announced Carl H. Nolting, chairman of the Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries, who said it was necessary for the state to put up a sum equal to one-third the amount to obtain the federal allocation.

Skyline Drive Open

The entire length of the Skyline Drive Road in Shenandoah National Park,—96 miles—may be opened to visitors within the next week, Secretary Ickes has announced. Remaining to be completed is a 500-foot section now traversed only by a dangerous dirt road.

Barbecue Next Tuesday

Get your tickets now for the Young Democratic Club barbecue next Tuesday at Holiday Lake. Membership tickets cost 1.00 each, and entitle you to attend the barbecue.